

**AMENDMENT TO
INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT – WISCONSIN**

by and between

WISCONSIN BELL, INC. D/B/A AMERITECH WISCONSIN

AND

SAGE TELECOM, INC.

The Interconnection Agreement (“the Agreement”) by and between Wisconsin Bell, Inc. d/b/a Ameritech Wisconsin and Sage Telecom, Inc. (“CLEC”), approved by the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin is hereby amended as follows:

1.0 AMENDMENTS TO THE AGREEMENT

- 1.1 Update Article 34 of the Interconnection Agreement to insert section 34.4.2.1.5.1 for Directory Assistance and Section 34.2.2.5.2 for Operator Services to add Phraseology language, “In the event that the phraseology for branding DA calls is the same phraseology for branding OS calls, only one charge will apply per initial loading or subsequent change”.**

2.0 MISCELLANEOUS

- 2.1** This Amendment shall not modify or extend the Effective Date or Term of the underlying Agreement, but rather, shall be coterminous with such Agreement.
- 2.2** EXCEPT AS MODIFIED HEREIN, ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE UNDERLYING AGREEMENT SHALL REMAIN UNCHANGED AND IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT.
- 2.4** In entering into this Amendment, the Parties acknowledge and agree that neither Party is waiving any of its rights, remedies or arguments with respect to any orders, decisions or proceedings and any remands thereof, including but not limited to its rights under the United States Supreme Court’s opinion in *Verizon v. FCC*, 535 U.S. ____ (2002); the D.C. Circuit’s decision in *United States Telecom Association, et. al v. FCC*, No. 00-101 (May 24, 2002); the FCC’s Order *In the Matter of the Local Competition Provisions of the Telecommunications Act of 1996*, (FCC 99-370) (rel. November 24, 1999), including its Supplemental Order Clarification (FCC 00-183) (rel. June 2, 2000) in CC Docket 96-98; or the FCC’s Order on Remand and Report and Order in CC Dockets No. 96-98 and 99-68 (the “ISP Intercarrier Compensation Order”) (rel. April 27, 2001), which was remanded in *WorldCom, Inc. v. FCC*, No. 01-1218 (D.C. Cir. 2002). Rather, in entering into this Amendment, each Party fully reserves all of its rights, remedies and arguments with respect to any decisions, orders or proceedings, including but not limited to its right to dispute whether any UNEs and/or UNE combinations identified in the Agreement and this Amendment must be provided under Sections 251(c)(3) and 251(d) of the Act, and under this Agreement. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement and in addition to

fully reserving its other rights, Wisconsin Bell, Inc. d/b/a Ameritech Wisconsin reserves its right to exercise its option at any time in the future to adopt on a date specified by Wisconsin Bell, Inc. d/b/a Ameritech Wisconsin the FCC ISP terminating compensation plan, after which date ISP-bound traffic will be subject to the FCC's prescribed terminating compensation rates, and other terms and conditions. In the event that the FCC, a state regulatory agency or a court of competent jurisdiction, in any proceeding finds, rules and/or otherwise orders that any of the UNEs and/or UNE combinations provided for under this Agreement and this Amendment do not meet the necessary and impair standards set forth in Section 251(d)(2) of the Act, the affected provision will be immediately invalidated, modified or stayed as required to effectuate the subject order upon written request of either Party. In such event, the Parties shall have sixty (60) days from the effective date of the order to attempt to negotiate and arrive at an agreement on the appropriate conforming modifications required to the agreement. If the Parties are unable to agree upon the conforming modifications required within sixty (60) days from the effective date of the order, any disputes between the Parties concerning the interpretations of the actions required or the provisions affected by such order shall be handled under the Dispute Resolution Procedures set forth in this Agreement.

- 2.5 This Amendment shall be filed with and is subject to approval by the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin (PSC-WI) and shall become effective ten (10) days following approval by such Commission.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Amendment to the Agreement was exchanged in triplicate on this _____ day of _____, 2003, by Wisconsin Bell Inc. d/b/a Ameritech Wisconsin, signing by and through its duly authorized representative, and CLEC, signing by and through its duly authorized representative.

Sage Telecom, Inc.

By: 

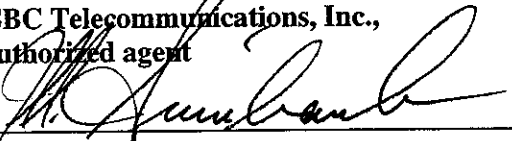
Name: Gary P. Nuttall
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Date: January 29, 2003

AECN/OCN # 9813

Wisconsin Bell, Inc. d/b/a Ameritech
Wisconsin,
By SBC Telecommunications, Inc.,
its authorized agent

By: 

Name: Mike Auinbauh
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Title: For/ President-Industry Markets

Date: FEB 04 2003